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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Project Number for USSR Budget Study

At a meeting of division chiefs with the Chief, Economic Research on this date, it was decided that office-wide project number 0.14 should be assigned to the CRASH study on the New USSR Budget information coming from the meeting of the Supreme Soviet. This action was taken because nearly all ORR will be occupied at one time or another with a portion of this estimate.



7 August 1953

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Publication of IM on USSR Budget

1. In a series of telephonic and personal conferences between AD/RR, Ch/R, Chief, St/PC, and [redacted] of D/A, it was agreed that the IM on USSR newly announced budget would be handled under the following schedule: D/A to furnish final revised draft by 11 o'clock on 10 August. St/PC and St/PB as well as D/GC could furnish their portions to the printer by the end of the working day of 10 August. Printers to be requested to furnish the completed product by the end of the working day on 11 August.

2. In connection with this item Chief, St/PC, lodged a protest with AD/RR and with Ch/R, on the by-passing of the normal channels in the publication of a preliminary draft of this IM. This preliminary draft was furnished to the DDI and apparently to other high level officials and is not marked in any way with a project number or with any identification as being from ORR. Chief, St/PC, stated that since these things have to be typed somewhere it was his opinion that the typing of them by the experts in St/PB would actually facilitate the process of getting them out and would assure that they would come out in better form. He also stated that as a general rule these flap items are items which are seen by high level individuals and therefore should be well formulated as possible. AD/RR and Ch/R agreed with this estimate. 10 August NOTE: D/A on 10 August found new material, and D/GC stated they needed a few hours more time. It was decided to delay IM-377 by one more day.